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Sobriety checkpoint yields two arrests

The Howard County Police Department conducted a DUI checkpoint on Friday, June 20, into the early morning hours of Saturday, June 21. The checkpoint was established on westbound US Route 40 and Governors Run Way, in Ellicott City.

One driver was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol. An additional driver was arrested and charged with a drug violation.

A total of 940 vehicles passed through the checkpoint, which was staffed by Howard County police officers, and the Maryland State Police. Drivers that passed through the checkpoint were given an informational handout containing DUI facts and statistics.

The Howard County Police Department continues to use sobriety checkpoints and saturation patrols as a means of combating drinking and drugged drivers. Checkpoints conducted by Howard County police are part of the Checkpoint Strikeforce Campaign and are funded in part by a grant from the Maryland Highway Safety Office.

Police remind citizens to always designate a sober driver or refrain from drinking alcohol if they will be driving. If you see a suspected drunken driver on the road, call 911.

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